

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 11

WEDNESDAY, 28 MARCH 1973

- 1 The House met, at two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PETITION: The Clerk announced that Mr Jarman had lodged a petition for presentation from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House oppose any liberalisation of the law on abortion beyond that which is permitted in Victoria at the present time. Petition received.
- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
 - Commonwealth Superannuation—Departmental memorandum to the Prime Minister relating to his answer to a question without notice asked earlier in the day by the Hon. L. H. E. Bury, M.P.
 - Tariff Board—Report—Fibreboard—By-Law.
 The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
 - Wheat Research Act—Fourteenth Annual Report, for 1971.
- 5 INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) BILL 1973: Mr Hayden (Acting Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Income Tax (International Agreements) Act 1953-1972*.
 - Bill read a first time.
 - Mr Hayden moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 - Debate, by leave, ensued.
 - Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
 - Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
 - On the motion of Mr Hayden, the Bill was read a third time.
- 6 POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE: Ordered—That notice No. 1, government business, be postponed until the next sitting.
- 7 STATES GRANTS (ADVANCED EDUCATION) BILL 1973: Mr Beazley (Minister for Education), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *States Grants (Advanced Education) Act (No. 3) 1972*.
 - Bill read a first time.
 - Mr Beazley moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr Lynch—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 8 STATES GRANTS (WATER RESOURCES MEASUREMENT) BILL 1973: Dr Cass (Minister for the Environment and Conservation), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to grant Financial Assistance to the States in connexion with the Measurement and Investigation of their Water Resources.
 - Bill read a first time.
 - Dr Cass moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr Lynch—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

9 SOUTH AUSTRALIA GRANT (LOCK TO KIMBA PIPELINE) BILL 1973: Dr Cass (Minister for the Environment and Conservation), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to grant Financial Assistance to the State of South Australia in connexion with the Construction of a Pipeline from Lock to Kiraba and of certain Associated Works.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Cass moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Lynch—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

10 PRICES—PROPOSED JOINT COMMITTEE: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Crean (Treasurer)—

- (1) That a Joint Committee be appointed to inquire into and, as appropriate, report on—
 - (a) complaints arising from prices charged by private industry;
 - (b) movements in prices of goods and services in particular fields or sections of private industry, for example, as measured by price indices; and
 - (c) such other matters relating to prices as may be referred to the committee by resolution of either House of the Parliament.
- (2) That the committee consist of four Members of the House of Representatives nominated by the Prime Minister, two Members of the House of Representatives nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives, one Member of the House of Representatives nominated by the Leader of the Australian Country Party in the House of Representatives, two Senators nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate and one Senator nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint committee until the House of Representatives expires by dissolution or effluxion of time.
- (5) That the Prime Minister nominate one of the government members of the committee as Chairman.
- (6) That the Chairman of the committee may, from time to time, appoint another member of the committee to be the Deputy Chairman of the committee, and that the member so appointed act as Chairman of the committee at any time when the Chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee.
- (7) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of three or more of its members and to refer to any such sub-committee any of the matters which the committee is empowered to examine.
- (8) That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to move from place to place and to sit during any recess or adjournment of the Parliament.
- (9) That the committee have leave to report from time to time and that any member of the committee have power to add a protest or dissent to any report.
- (10) That five members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee, and two members of a sub-committee constitute a quorum of that sub-committee.
- (11) That in matters of procedure the Chairman or Deputy Chairman presiding at the meeting have a deliberative vote and, in the event of an equality of voting, have a casting vote, and that, in other matters, the Chairman or Deputy Chairman have a deliberative vote only.
- (12) That the committee be provided with all necessary staff, facilities and resources.
- (13) That the committee recognise the need for co-operation between the Commonwealth and consumer protection bodies in the States.
- (14) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
- (15) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Debate resumed by Mr Lynch (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) who moved the following amendments together, by leave—

Paragraph (1)—

Sub-paragraph (a), after the words “private industry” add “and by the public sector”.

Sub-paragraph (b), after the words “private industry” insert “and the public sector”.

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Cope, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55

Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bourchier	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bury	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Turner
Mr Chipp	Mr Gorton	Mr Lynch	Mr Viner
Mr Cooke	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Corbett	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hamer	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Drummond	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Holten	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Fox

NOES, 61

Mr Armitage	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Barnard	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Dr Cairns	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Dr Cass	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Coates	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Hansen
Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put and passed.

11 LEAVE TO PRESENT BILL NOT GRANTED: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) asked leave to present the Remuneration and Allowances Bill 1973.
Objection being raised, leave not granted.

12 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 and 3, government business, be postponed until the next sitting.

13 PUBLIC SERVICE BILL 1973: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—
Debate adjourned (Mr Lynch—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

- 14 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—REMUNERATION AND ALLOWANCES BILL 1973: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved--That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) presenting a Remuneration and Allowances Bill 1973 forthwith.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Cope, in the Chair)—

AYES, 98

Mr Armitage	Mr Drummond	Mr Jarman	Dr Patterson
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Drury	Dr Jenkins	Mr Peacock
Mr Barnard	Mr Duthie	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Edwards	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Mr Erwin	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Keogh	Mr Staley
Mr Bouchier	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Street
Mr Bury	Mr Fox	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Dr Cairns	Mr Fraser	Mr Lamb	Mr Turner
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Uren
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Garland	Mr Lynch	Mr Viner
Dr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wallis
Mr Chipp	Mr Giles	Mr McKenzie	Mr Wentworth
Mr Coates	Mr Gorton	Mr McLeay	Mr Whan
Mr Collard	Mr Graham	Mr McMahon	Mr Whitlam
Mr Connor	Mr Grassby	Mr Martin	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Dr Gun	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hayden	Mr Morris	Mr Wilson
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	
Mr Daly	Mr Innes	Mr Mulder	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Davies	Mr Jacobi	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Hansen
Mr Doyle	Mr James	Mr Olley	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 18

Mr Adermann	Mr Hallett	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr Hewson	Mr Lloyd	
Mr Calder	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Corbett	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Fisher	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	Mr I. L. Robinson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 15 REMUNERATION AND ALLOWANCES BILL 1973: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Remuneration and Allowances payable to Members of the Parliament, Ministers of State, Justices of the High Court, Judges of Courts created by the Parliament, Permanent Heads of Departments of the Public Service and the Holders of certain Offices or Appointments.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Whitlam moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate, by leave, ensued.

Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the Australian Country Party) moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “while not opposing the passage of the Bill, the House is of opinion that the salary and allowances of the Leader of the Australian Country Party should be identical with those of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition”.

Debate continued.

The debate having been closed by Mr Whitlam having spoken in reply—

Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, again addressed the House.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Cope, in the Chair)—

AYES, 100

Mr Armitage	Mr Doyle	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Drummond	Dr Jenkins	Mr Riordan
Mr Barnard	Mr Drury	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Mr Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Snedden
Mr Birrell	Mr Erwin	Mr Kelly	Mr Staley
Mr Bonnett	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kerin	Mr Street
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Killen	Mr Thorburn
Mr N. H. Bowen	Dr Forbes	Dr Klugman	Mr Turner
Mr Bury	Mr Fox	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Dr Cairns	Mr Fraser	Mr Luchetti	Mr Viner
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Fulton	Mr Lynch	Mr Wallis
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Garland	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Dr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Chipp	Mr Giles	Mr McLeay	Mr Whitlam
Mr Coates	Mr Gorton	Mr McMahan	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cohen	Mr Graham	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Collard	Mr Grassby	Mr Mathews	Mr Wilson
Mr Connor	Dr Gun	Mr Morris	
Mr Cooke	Mr Hayden	Mr Morrison	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hurford	Mr Mulder	
Mr Cross	Mr Innes	Mr Oldmeadow	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Daly	Mr Jacobi	Mr Olley	Mr Hansen
Mr Davies	Mr James	Dr Patterson	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 20

Mr Adermann	Mr Hewson	Mr Lucock	
Mr Anthony	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	
Mr Calder	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	
Mr Corbett	Mr Katter	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Fisher	Mr King	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England
Mr Hallett	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair	Mr I. L. Robinson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 8, dated 28 March 1973, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Whitlam, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

16 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE: A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

28 March 1973—Message No. 13—Income Tax (International Agreements) 1973.

17 PUBLIC SERVICE BILL 1973: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—Debate resumed.

Mr Willis addressing the House—

18 ADJOURNMENT: It being fifteen minutes past ten o'clock p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until eleven o'clock p.m.—Mr Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 28 March 1973, pursuant to statute:

Australian Capital Territory Representation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 63.

Child Care Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 45.

Commonwealth Electoral Act and Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 62.

Defence (Re-establishment) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 53.

Dried Vine Fruits Stabilization Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 54.

Education Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 56.

Industrial Research and Development Grants Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 61.

National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 57.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 58.

Northern Territory Representation Act, Northern Territory (Administration) Act and Commonwealth Electoral Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 64.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 49.

Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, Nos. 46, 47, 48, 59, 60.

Restrictive Trade Practices Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 55.

Trade Commissioners Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 52.

Tradesmen's Rights Regulation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 51.

War Service Homes Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 50.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bryant, Mr Crean and Mr Reynolds.

N. J. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives